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News from around the globe from ruling-class view

Wire services monopolize the news

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Except for a handful of newspapers; radio and TV stations—almost exclusively in a few big cities—the overwhelming majority of the commercial communications media in the U.S. depends for out-of-town news on two near-monopolistic sources: the Associated Press (AP) and United Press International (UPI).

EXCERPT

CENSORSHIP OF NEWS

In the process AP and UPI employ censorship and collaboration with ruling class interests, in sharp contrast to the image of fighting, independent newsorganization they alike to project. For example

The Central Intelligence Agency has admitted to putting false news written by CIA agent reporters on the news wire of both services through at least the late 1960s.

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